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Note by the Secretariat

1. In its resolution 66/290 of 10 September 2012, the General Assembly agreed that human security is an approach to assist Member States in identifying and addressing widespread and cross-cutting challenges to the survival, livelihood and dignity of their people. Based on this, the Assembly agreed on a common understanding on the notion of human security. The Secretary-General was requested to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session a report on the implementation of the resolution, seeking the views of Member States in that regard for inclusion in the report, and on the lessons learned on the human security experiences at the international, regional and national levels.

2. The report requires extensive consultations with all relevant stakeholders to enable the Secretary-General to report on lessons learned on the human security experiences at the international, regional and national levels. A questionnaire was sent to Member States, and to regional organizations, United Nations country teams, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes, regional commissions, offices and departments of the Secretariat, and academic institutions and non-governmental organizations working in the field of human security. While the questionnaire gathered significant information from across the United Nations system and beyond, further consultation and information-gathering with Member States is expected until the end of 2013.

3. In February 2014, the report of the Secretary-General will be submitted to the General Assembly for its consideration.

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